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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

February 4, 1993

Chairman, Federal Communications Commission 1919 "M" Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: FCC Docket 92-235

sir:

I would like to register my opposition to the content of the proposed "refarming" of the 150-174 MHz band under 92-235. The planned changes in the band width and power limitation of broadcast sites would severely impact the ability of this Department, and the South Bay Fire Zone for whom we dispatch, to provide effective emergency services in an officer-safe environment.

Although I thoroughly support a complete evaluation of the frequency band to provide additional utilization of our limited spectrum, I do not feel that the plans identified in 92-235 are viable. Our agencies must work in canyons and mountains as well as coastal plains. The additional cost of receivers and re-broadcast repeaters which your plan would necessitate would be devastating to our already strapped budgets. The broadcast quality degradation would also be unacceptable to law enforcement, fire and medical services.

I encourage you to continue evaluation of re-farming plans but I ask that you postpone action on 92-235 beyond your February 26, 1993 deadline so that these concerns can be addressed.

I ask your indulgence on these matters and plea that you will consider the plight of the end user in the emergency service.

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Yours, truly,		